

# Connection Card

## March 3, 2024

- Please Select  1stTime Guest  
 Regular Attendee  
 Member  
 Emerge  Traditions

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_

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I Prefer Contact By: text call email

I would like to sign up for the e-mail

news \_\_\_\_\_

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How did you hear about Cordele First?

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### My Stage in Life is:

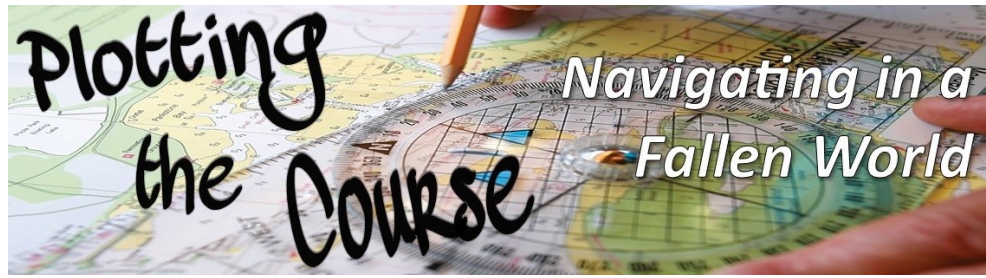
- College  Twenty-something  
 Single Adult  Young Couple  
 Family  Empty Nesters

### I am interested in:

- Baptism  
 Joining the Church  
 Info on Small Grps & Sunday School  
 Getting involved and serving  
 Contact from one of the Ministers  
 Prayer: \_\_\_\_\_

### Wednesday Night Supper

\_\_\_ Adult \_\_\_ Children \_\_\_ Permanent



1. Following Christ is a \_\_\_\_\_ of constant \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

2. We can move through sin and failure when we...

A. \_\_\_\_\_: Can I take a step back and \_\_\_\_\_ on who I am in Christ?

B. \_\_\_\_\_: What is absolutely \_\_\_\_\_ if I am to be Christ's \_\_\_\_\_?

C. \_\_\_\_\_: Where does God want to \_\_\_\_\_ me?

### SUNDAY This Week

- 10:00 am Sunday School  
 5:00 pm Renovate Youth/Sunday Funday

### MONDAY

- 6:00 pm Handbells  
 6:00 30 pm Methodist Men

### TUESDAY

- 10:30 am Christian's Women's Fellowship  
 6:30 pm Celebrate Recovery  
 8:00 pm Emerge Band Rehearsal

### WEDNESDAY

- 10:00 am AM Bible Study/ Basement  
 5:30 pm WNO  
 6:00 pm Chancel Choir  
 6:15 pm Bible Study, Youth & Children's sm grps  
 8:00 pm NP Bible Study

### THURSDAY

- 8:00 pm NP Praise Band Rehearsal

### FRIDAY

### SATURDAY

### Get In Contact With Us...

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 Barbara Eschmann | Pianist Pamela Ellis | Organist

Office Hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm  
 Appointments can be made by contacting the church office at 229-273-4586



**9 AM Emerge Worship**  
 "Obstacles and Distractions"  
 John 2:13-22 (NRSV) Rev. Larry Rollins

*Songs being played in worship this morning*  
 God of Wonders | Third Day  
 Worthy of it All | CeCe Winans  
 This is Amazing Grace | Phil Wickham  
 Do It Again | Big Daddy Weave

### 11 AM Traditions Worship 3rd Sunday in Lent

#### Welcome and Time of Fellowship

**Prelude** *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* Pamela Ellis

**\*Opening Hymn** *Lord Who Throughout These 40 Days* all vs No. 269

**\*Affirmation of Faith** No. 881

**\*Gloria Patri** No.70

#### Morning Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

#### Celebrating Our Tithes and Offerings

**\*Doxology** No. 95

**\*Offertory Hymn** *Be Still My Soul* all vs No. 534

**Anthem** *Hear My Prayer* Chancel Choir

#### The Word Proclaimed

*"Obstacles and Distractions"* Rev. Rollins

**\*Closing Hymn** *Be Thou My Vision* v 1,2,4 No. 451

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude** *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* Pamela Ellis

*\*Please stand, if able*

## News & Events

We want to welcome our newest member, Eduardo de la Cruz. He joined the Nuevo Pacto congregation on Sunday, February 25.



The South Georgia United Methodist Men are sponsoring a chainsaw class on March 16th. The location will be determined soon and more information will be given.

## Prayer Concerns

### New Prayer Requests

**Melton Culpepper**-had emergency surgery Monday morning.

**Sympathy to:** Melton Culpepper in the death of his sister, Claire Williams.

### Previous Weeks

**Sympathy to:**

**Macy and Kyle Young** and family in the death of Macy's mom and LeAnn Moore's aunt, Diane Hobbs.

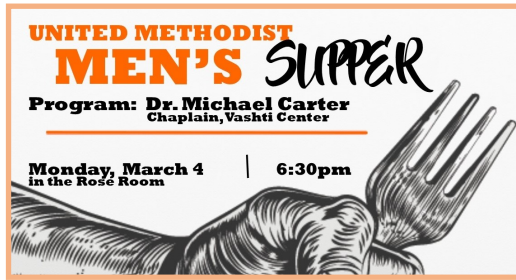
**Alicia Parker** and family in the death of her husband, James.

**Billy Rodgers**

**Charles Clark**-Stephanie Marchant and Russ Clark's dad)

**Charles & Joyce Miller**

**John Herzog**- doing PT in South Carolina.



## Pray for Our Shut Ins

### At Home

Joe Cook Melody Whitaker Angie Greer

Bea Swinney

**Blackshear Villa** Stella Bridges Rm#8

**Cordele Health & Rehab**

Patti Hunt Rm 109 ; Eddie McLemore Rm 403;

Marcy Burke Rm 202

**Cordelia Manor-Fellowship Home**

Linda Bennett 215

**Magnolia Manor** | Hester Price Rm 531

**Magnolia Manor Moultrie**

Jack & Sandra Windham Apt 115

**Carlyle Place** | Tish Haley Stafford Suites Rm 102

**Insignia of Newnan** | Ann Mitchell

**The Phoenix @ Lake Joy**

Sandra Duckworth

**Military members serving**

Stuart Peebles Layne Taunton Pilcher Thornton

## Daily Devotions & Scriptures

### Monday, March 4 Read Psalm 19

The very nature of creation is to extol God's glory and the purpose of His people, the psalmist tells us, is to actively seek to draw closer to God. How does the psalm tell us that closeness is achieved and what are some means by which you draw ever closer to God? What causes you to feel distant from God and why?

### Tuesday, March 5 Read Exodus 20:1-17

The first four commandments (and the longest, most detailed part of the text) are concerned with our relationship to God. Yet most people remember the last six- the "thou shalt nots"-better. Why do you suppose that is? Is it in some way easier to avoid stealing than truly honoring God with our devotion, undivided worship and reverent awe? Why or why not?

### Wednesday, March 6 Read John 2:13-22

It is important to recognize that the money-changers and livestock dealers were performing what most people saw as an essential service. Faithful worship, however, had become a business and a means of personal advancement. What are some ways we still tend to shift dedication to God towards individual gratification? Put another way, in what ways do we put God and God's concerns first and in what ways do we put our own wants and needs in the top slot?

### Thursday, March 7 Read Psalm 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

We often second guess God in our discipleship. "He wouldn't really want me to do that!" we say or "I'm sure that is meant for someone else." Like the folks in this passage we demand signs and surety rather than recognize the death of self-centeredness that is a big part of the message of the cross. What does it mean in the way you live your life to "proclaim Christ crucified" each day? In what ways does that lifestyle clash with the rationalizations and world logic of those around you?

### Friday, March 8 Read Isaiah 55:1-9

God's ways are often hard for us to comprehend (see vv.8-9) but is our inability to understand God an excuse for not seeking Him or striving to know His ways? Why or why not? According to Isaiah, what makes one "wicked" and what make one blessed? What might God be saying to you personally through this prophecy?

### Saturday, March 9 Read Psalm 63:1-8

This is a hymn of total dedication and commitment. What makes the psalmist so passionate about God? How does this song reflect your own faith experience and in what ways is the psalmist's experience different from your own? What do you think accounts for the difference?

## By The Numbers

### EMBRACE 342

### Total Attendance in Worship

Emerge: 234 | Traditions: 74

Nuevo Pacto: 34

### Total Missions Attendance

SOUL Food:

Outreach Communion:

### INVEST 566

### Total Groups and Classes

Adults: 390

Youth: 89 | Children: 87

### ADVANCE

Given this week: \$18,808.81

Budget Receipts: \$16,374.46

Weekly Needs: \$21,615.00

Designated Gifts: \$2,434.35

### Year to Date

Non-Budget Giving \$17,175

Budget Needs \$172,920

Budget Giving \$153,675

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